

Bureau of Land Management, Interior

§ 4300.50

§ 4300.25 Does my filed application mean I will automatically receive a permit?

No. BLM issues grazing permits at its discretion. Our decisionmaking is based on resource management guidelines developed in land use plans and in consultation with other State and Federal resource management agencies.

PROTESTS AGAINST A GRAZING PERMIT APPLICATION

§ 4300.30 Can someone else protest my permit application?

(a) Yes, anyone may file a protest with BLM. The protest does not have to be in a particular format nor on a BLM-approved form but it must:

- (1) Be filed in duplicate with BLM;
- (2) Contain a complete description of all facts upon which it is based;
- (3) Describe the lands involved; and
- (4) Be accompanied by evidence of service of a copy of the protest on the applicant.

(b) If the person protesting also wants a grazing permit for all or part of the land described in the protested application, the protest must be accompanied by a grazing permit application.

CONDITIONS OF YOUR APPROVED PERMIT

§ 4300.40 How long can I graze reindeer with my permit?

BLM issues permits for a maximum of 10 years, except when you request a shorter term, or when BLM determines that a shorter period is in the public interest. The issued permit will specify the number of years you can graze reindeer.

§ 4300.41 What will the permit say about the number of reindeer and where I can graze them?

(a) The permit will indicate the maximum number of reindeer you can graze on the permit area based on range conditions. BLM can adjust this number if range conditions change, as for example, by natural causes, overgrazing, or fire.

(b) The permit will restrict grazing to a definitely described area which BLM feels is usable and adequate for your needs.

§ 4300.42 If I have existing improvements on the land, will these be allowed in the initial permit?

Yes, any improvements existing on the land will be allowed.

§ 4300.43 What should I do if I want to construct and maintain improvements on the land?

(a) You should file an application (Form 4120-7) with BLM for a permit to do this. A permit will allow you to construct, maintain, and use any fence, building, corral, reservoir, well or other improvement needed for grazing under the grazing permit; and

(b) You must comply with Alaska state law in the construction and maintenance of fences, but any fence must be constructed to permit ingress and egress of miners, mineral prospectors, and other persons entitled to enter the area for lawful purposes.

§ 4300.44 Are there any major restrictions on my grazing permit that I might otherwise think are allowed?

Yes. You must not:

- (a) Enclose roads, trails and highways as to disturb public travel there;
- (b) Interfere with existing communication lines or other improvements;
- (c) Prevent legal hunting, fishing or trapping on the land;
- (d) Prevent access by persons, such as miners and mineral prospectors, entitled to lawfully enter; or
- (e) Graze reindeer without complying with applicable State and Federal laws on livestock quarantine and sanitation.

§ 4300.45 Must I submit any reports?

Yes. Before April 1 of the second permit year and each year afterwards, you must submit a report in duplicate to BLM which describes your grazing operations during the preceding year. Reports do not have to be on a BLM-approved form nor in a particular format.

CHANGES THAT CAN AFFECT YOUR PERMIT

Other Uses of the Land

§ 4300.50 Are there other uses of the land that may affect my permit?

Yes. The lands described in your grazing permit and the subsurface can be affected by uses that BLM considers